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COVID-19 UPDATE

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Health Department Distributes Demographic COVID-19 Data;

Community Hour Tuesday, Aug. 25: Unpacking the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and Department of Public Health COVID-19 Guidance for Schools, Buses, and Community Recovery

- Since Friday, Aug. 21, 20 residents have tested positive for COVID-19, and seven more have recovered: The number of people in the City who have tested positive for COVID-19 is 1,937. With 1,679 recovered and 121 fatalities, Framingham currently has 137 active cases. The Framingham Health Department contacts the people who were potentially exposed and the owners of the businesses or places of employment where the potential exposures occurred to inform and counsel them on next steps (contact tracing). In addition to the active cases, the Health Department is following 56 residents in quarantine.
- The City's Department of Public Health distributes demographic COVID-19 data every Monday
 on all confirmed Cases in Framingham since March 1, 2020: Data includes information on
 confirmed cases by age, gender, race/ethnicity, fatalities, nursing homes, and residential
 settings. Reference today's data release here.
- Community Hour Tuesday, August 25, at 5 p.m.: Unpacking the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's and Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Guidance for Schools, Buses, and Community Recovery: Mayor Spicer will be joined by Dr. Sam Wong, Director of the Framingham Public Health Department, and Dr. Robert Tremblay, Superintendent of Framingham Public Schools, to discuss the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's and Department of Public Health's COVID-19 guidance regarding schools, buses and community recovery. If people cannot attend and have questions, please email kmcfalls@framinghamma.gov with the subject line: August 25 Community Hour. Click here for information on how to join. The Community Hour will be available on the Framingham Government Channel and live on Access Framingham TV on RCN channel 3, RCN HD channel 1100, Verizon channel 43, and Comcast channel 9. A video recording of the Zoom will be available following for those who cannot attend or watch.
- COVID-19 in Framingham: Information on COVID-19 in Framingham can be found here. To receive information from the City on a mobile device, text "Join FraminghamMA" to 30890. Residents also can find updates on Facebook and Twitter @Framingham_MA. For questions regarding COVID-19 in Framingham, please call the City's informational line at (508) 532-5411, Mon-Fri., 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. If there is an urgent update, the City will employ the "Alert Framingham" phone messaging system, otherwise known as Rave. To sign up for the City's Rave system, please go here: https://www.smart911.com/